

NOTICE
Upper Mississippi Conservation Area
Blind Registration Changes

Recent flooding on the Mississippi River created problems with blind construction deadlines and plans to inspect completed blinds. As of September 24 Pools 24 and 25 have been brought back to normal elevations but Pool 26 will not be to full pool for another week or 10 days. Area staff have completed a preliminary inspection of blinds in pools 24 and 25 but we have not yet been able to inspect blinds in pool 26.

We intend to be very flexible about inspection requirements due to the flooding and the timing of the upcoming reallocation drawing and season opener. A list is provided below of blinds in Pools 24 and 25 (C and W blinds) that we have passed from the preliminary inspection. Most of these blinds need some work to repair flood damage but they have been passed and registration cards will be mailed to the primary registrant soon. We will provide a similar list for blinds in Pool 26 (A blinds) as soon as we are able to get to them to do an inspection (probably not before September 30).

We intend to contact the primary registrant of each blind that is not on these preliminary inspection lists. We will work with the blind registrants on a one on one basis to determine their intentions to complete their blinds.

We intend to proceed with the reallocation drawing on October 4th because it is not practical to delay it any longer due to the timing of the season opener. It is likely that the only blinds that will be placed into the re-draw are blinds that the registrant wants to give up or blinds where it is apparent that no effort was made to work on the blind prior to the flood.

Blinds That Have Passed as of 10/1/08

A-2
A-4
A-6
A-7
A-8
A-9
A-10
A-12
A-13
A-14
A-15
A-17
A-18
A-20
A-21
A-22
A-23
A-24

A-25
A-27
A-29
A-30
A-31
A-32
A-33
A-34
A-35
A-46
A-47
A-48
A-49
A-50
A-54
A-55
A-56
A-58

W – 1
W – 3
W – 4
W – 6
W – 7
W - 9
W – 10
W – 11
W – 14
W - 15
W – 16
W - 17
W – 18
W - 19
W – 20
W - 21
W – 22
W – 23
W – 26
W - 27
W – 28
W - 30
W – 31
W – 32
W – 34
W – 36
W – 38

C – 1
C – 2
C – 8
C – 10
C – 11
C - 12
C – 13
C - 15
C – 18
C - 20
C – 21
C – 22
C – 24
C - 25

Preliminary list of blinds that will be available in the Reallocation Drawing on Saturday October 4. It is possible that a few additional blinds will be added to this list before the drawing.

A – 36
A - 59
W- 13
W-33
W-40
C-16
C-23